

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:	§	
Isabel Rego Santos et al.	§	Group Art Unit: 1618
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Serial No.: 10/551,292	§	Confirmation No.: 1556
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For: BIFUNCTIONAL TRIDENTATE	§	Atty. Docket: 1660 US
PYRAZOLYL CONTAINING	§	COVM:0003/SWA/STA
LIGANDS FOR RE AND TC	§	
TRICARBONYL COMPLEXES	§	

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Sir:

DECLARATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.132
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We, Isabel Rego Santos, João Domingos Galamba Correia, António Manuel Rocha Paulo, and Susana Alves, hereby declare as follows:

1. We are co-inventors of record of the above-referenced application, i.e., U.S. Application No. 10/551,292.
2. Our residence addresses are set forth below, along with our signature.
3. We are co-authors of the publication: "Coordination capabilities of pyrazolyl containing ligands toward the *fac*-[Re(CO)₃]⁺ moiety," *J. Chem. Soc., Dalton Trans.*, 2002, 4714 – 4719.

4. We have read and understood pages 3-7 of the Office Action mailed December 21, 2007, which refers to the publication: "Coordination capabilities of pyrazolyl containing ligands toward the *fac*-[Re(CO)₃]⁺ moiety," *J. Chem. Soc., Dalton Trans.*, 2002, 4714 - 4719.

5. We personally conceived or invented any material cited on pages 3-7 of the Office Action mailed December 21, 2007, as disclosed in the publication, "Coordination capabilities of pyrazolyl containing ligands toward the *fac*-[Re(CO)₃]⁺ moiety," *J. Chem. Soc., Dalton Trans.*, 2002, 4714 - 4719, and that may also be disclosed and claimed in the above-referenced application, U.S. Application No. 10/551,292.

6. Our co-author, Angela Domingos, was working under our direction pertaining to any material cited on pages 3-7 of the Office Action mailed December 21, 2007, as disclosed in the publication, "Coordination capabilities of pyrazolyl containing ligands toward the *fac*-[Re(CO)₃]⁺ moiety," *J. Chem. Soc., Dalton Trans.*, 2002, 4714 - 4719, and that may also be disclosed and claimed in the above-referenced application, U.S. Application No. 10/551,292.

We further declare that all statements made herein of our own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true, and further, that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under 18 U.S.C. § 1001, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application, any patent issuing thereon, or any patent to which this verified statement is directed.

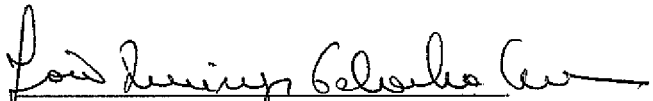
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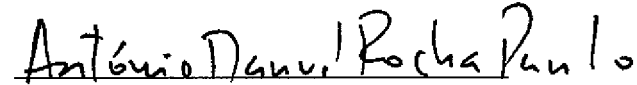
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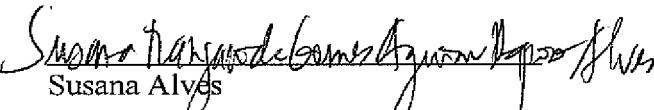
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